



SOUTHEAST ISLAND SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Resolution 2026-05

A RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE STATE OF ALASKA TO REVISE THE SCORING OF CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS TO PRIORITIZE LIFE AND SAFETY ISSUES AND ESTABLISH A SEPARATE FUNDING LIST FOR REAA SCHOOL DISTRICTS

WHEREAS, the Southeast Island School District (SISD) is responsible for ensuring the safety and wellbeing of its students, staff, and communities by maintaining safe, functional, and healthy school facilities; and

WHEREAS, the current State of Alaska Department of Education and Early Development Capital Improvement Project (CIP) scoring system does not adequately prioritize projects that address critical life, health, and safety issues within school facilities; and

WHEREAS, numerous school facility projects across the state have remained unfunded for multiple years, leading to worsening conditions and compounding risks for students and staff; and

WHEREAS, Regional Educational Attendance Area (REAA) school districts, including SISD, do not have a local tax base or municipal government to help share in the costs of capital facility projects, unlike city and borough school districts that can levy local funds; and

WHEREAS, this structural inequity creates a significant funding gap for REAA schools, leaving essential health and safety projects unfunded and putting rural students at disproportionate risk.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Southeast Island School District Board of Education respectfully requests that the State of Alaska revise the CIP scoring system to:

1. Place life, health, and safety projects at the highest priority level;
2. Incorporate into the scoring system the number of years a project has remained unfunded, giving additional weight to long-delayed projects; and

3. Establish a separate funding list for REAA school districts to ensure that these districts, without access to local government funding support, are equitably considered apart from municipal or city school districts.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution be forwarded to the Alaska Department of Education and Early Development, the Governor of Alaska, the Alaska State Legislature, and other relevant stakeholders to advocate for equitable and safe learning environments for all Alaska students.

ADOPTED September 17, 2025, at a duly convened meeting of the Southeast Island School District Board of Education at which a quorum was present and voting.

Anthony Lovell
SISD Board President

Attested: _____
Molly Kimzey
SISD Board Clerk